

Condition of National Highway No. 87 from Rampur to Rudrapur

†1384. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister is aware of the fact that the condition of National Highway No. 87 from Rampur to Rudrapur is not good for vehicles even after its repeated maintenance;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry would contemplate to get this highway constructed with cement; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) to (c) The work for widening and strengthening to four lane National Highway standard of Rampur-Rudrapur section of NH-87 (km 0.00 to km 43.45) has been awarded by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and agreement for the project has been signed in June 2016. This widening work is taken up with cement concrete pavement (rigid pavement). The existing road condition of Rampur-Rudrapur section was not in trafficable condition due to damages caused during the last monsoon. However the stretch of Rampur-Rudrapur section is now repaired and presently the road is maintained in trafficable condition.

Use of social media to identify bad roads

†1385. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is avoiding the use of modern day mobile facilities like whatsapp and facebook;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and whether it is possible for the Ministry to ask for the pictures of National Highways that are in poor condition through whatsapp and facebook, and to assure their instant repair; and

(c) if not, the ways through which the Ministry gets information on bad condition of National Highways and the time taken to tackle with the situation after getting the information?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA): (a) No, Sir.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.